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SUBJ: CONSULTANTS FOR OECD ENERGY STUDY

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1. FOLLOWING UP SECGEN' S MARCH 28 WASHINGTON DISCUSSIONS, CHARGE AS REQUESTED SUGGESTED TO SECGEN THAT HE CONSIDER HOUTHAKKER AS HIGH- LEVEL CONSULTANT FOR ENERGY STUDY. SECGEN SPOKE HIGHLY OF HOUTHAKKER FROM PAST ACQUAINTANCE, BUT HE HAS NOT YET GIVEN US DEFINITIVE REACTION.

2. FROM SECGEN' S RESPONSE AND FROM OTHER SECRETARIAT SOURCES, HOWEVER, WE UNDERSTAND SECGEN HAD COME CLOSE TO DECIDING ON CONSULTANT TEAM THAT WOULD INCLUDE FOLLOWING:

A. AS HIGH- LEVEL CONSULTANT, SCHNEIDER, ECONOMICS PROFESSOR AT COLOGNE UNIVERSITY, RECENTLY NAMED DIRECTOR OF INSTITUTE OF ENERGY ECONOMICS THERE.

B. AS FULL- TIME MANAGER- CONSULTANT, G. W. CLARKE, CHIEF STATISTICIAN IN UK DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY. CLARKE KNOWN TO SECRETARIAT AS REGULAR MEMBER OF UK DELEGATION TO ENERGY COMMITTEE.

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C. AS CONSULTANT ON SHORTER- TERM OIL SITUATION ONLY, WALTER LEVY. IN LINE WITH CONCERNS EXPRESSED BY SEVERAL COUNTRIES, INCLUDING NETHERLANDS AND JAPAN, OVER POSSIBLE REACTIONS RELATED TO LEVY' S PUBLICLY- EXPRESSED POSITIONS ON OIL POLICY, HE WOULD BE HIRED TO DEAL ONLY WITH TECHNICAL AS OPPOSED TO POLITICAL ASPECTS OF STUDY. MOREOVER, HIS APPOINTMENT WOULD NOT BE PUBLICIZED BY OECD.

4. WE INFER THAT SECGEN FELT HE HAD ARRIVED AT A TEAM THAT WOULD BE BALANCED GEOGRAPHICALLY AND IN TERMS OF BACKGROUNDS AND EXPERTISE, AND RESPONDED TO EXPRESSED WISHES OF AT LEAST SOME KEY COUNTRIES. THER IS THUS SOME INTERDEPENDENCE AMONG CHOICES. SECRETARIAT HAS PROCEEDED RATHER FAR IN NEGOTIATIONS WITH CLARKE (CONFIRMED BY UK DEL HERE) AND HAS HOPED TO BE ABLE TO SIGN UP SCHNEIDER ABOUT MAY 1, WHEN HE IS EXPECTED TO BE IN PARIS.
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